





## Notices to Consignees.

SHIP *SIR HARRY PARKES*,  
FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 22, 1878.

BRITISH BARK *HYLTON CASTLE*,  
FROM GLASGOW.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 30, 1878.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the Undermentioned Cargo are hereby informed that unless the same be taken delivery of within one month from this date it will be sold to pay expenses.

Ex *Argentine*, 30th April, 1877.

M. (in diamond), 10 Cases.

Ex *Elgin*, 29th May, 1877.

W S (in diamond), 8 Cases.

D S &amp; Co. (in diamond), 1 Box.

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.

7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

B. S. YANG-TSE.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Indus*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 30th instant, at Noon, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 5th June, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Agent.

Hongkong, May 30, 1878.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.Ex *"Irakoudy"*.

K (in diamond) 515/24 Order, from 10 cases Worsteds, London.

Ex *"Sindh"*.

LA 6/7 Order, 2 cases Fire, from Arms, Marseilles.

Hongkong, May 18, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## FOR AMOY.

The Steamship *"ESMERALDA"*.

Cullen, Master, shortly due, will have quick dispatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL &amp; Co.

Hongkong, June 3, 1878.

## FOR YOKOHAMA &amp; HIOGO.

The Steamship *"MIKADO"*.

shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick dispatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, June 3, 1878.

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

The S. S. *Moray* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, June 3, 1878.

## FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

The S. S. *Glenyle* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice be given before 11 o'clock a.m. To-morrow.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 10th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, June 3, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

STEAM FOR  
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,  
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,  
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean  
Ports, Southampton,  
and London direct.

Also,

Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
*THIBET*, Captain J. H. TORRICK, will  
leave this on SATURDAY, the 15th June,  
at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, June 3, 1878.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

DEVANA, British barque, Capt. William

May, Melchers &amp; Co.

H. G. JOHNSON, American barque, Capt.

Isaac N. Colby, Arnhold, Karberg &amp; Co.

CEYLON, American barque, Captain

Edward Kelly, Olyphant &amp; Co.

AMERICA, British steamer, Captain J.

Graham, B. Riley &amp; Co.

DAGO, British steamer, Captain G. B.

Haddock, Meyer &amp; Co.

IPHIGENIA, German barque, Captain G.

Green, Wieler &amp; Co.

ELEANOR, British steamer, Captain Alex.

B. Miller, Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co.

GEMINI, German barque, Captain

F. von Trumbach, Wm. Pustau &amp; Co.

ANNIE LORWAY, British barque, Captain

B. Galea, Borneo Co., Limited.

WANDERING JEW, American ship, Capt.

Henry Talpy, Captain.

HYLTON CASTLE, British barque, Capt.

W. Scott, Arnhold, Karberg &amp; Co.

CHARLES L. PHARSON, American S. M.

schooner, Capt. Joseph Swain, Geo. E.

Emory.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

June 2, *Paralos*, French barque, 344, J.

Pasco, Nigata May 11, Rice.—BUTTER-

FIELD &amp; SWIRE.

June 2, *Malving*, German barque, 479,

Kluge, Keelung May 25, Coal.—WILKES

&amp; Co.

June 2, *Hermann*, German brig, 210,

Lemke, Amoy May 27, Rice.—WILKES

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June 2, *Tokatea*, British barque, 805, G.

Harrison, Tachin May 16, Salt.—YUEN

FAT HONG.

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Whampoa.

June 3, *Moray*, British steamer, 1427,

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June 3, *William Manson*, British barque,

386, Redwood, Sydney (N.S.W.) April 14,

Coal.—RUSSELL &amp; Co.

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Colvin, Bangkok May 6, Salt.—YUEN FAT

HONG.

June 3, *Rifeman*, British barque, 718,

S. Bishop, Newcastle (N.S.W.) March 26,

Coal.—NAVAL YARD.

June 3, *Catherine Marden*, Brit. schooner,

287, Marden, Freemantle April 8, Sandal-

wood.—WM. PUSTAU &amp; Co.

June 3, 2 p.m. C. C. O'Brien, Danish

steamer, 337, S. Stenson, Repairing Cable

steamer, 337, S. Cable.—G. N. T. Co.

June 3, *Achilles*, British steamer, 1532,

Anderson, Liverpool April 19, via ports of

call, and Singapore May 28, Mails and

General.—BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE.

June 3, *Glenyle*, British steamer, 1265,

Quarley, London April 18, via ports of

call, and Singapore May 28, General.—

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.

## DEPARTURES.

June 2, *Historian*, for Foochow.2, *Chinkiang*, for Canton.2, *Gemini*, for Bangkok.2, *Douglas*, for Coast Ports.2, *China*, for Shanghai.2, *Bribeaux*, for Foochow.2, *Anchises*, for London, &c.2, *Anna Steden*, for Calcutta.

## CLEARED.

*Ipshigah*, for Newchwang.*Norseman*, for Bangkok.*Vesta*, for Quinhon.*Sorsogon*, for Manila.*Prosperity*, for Bangkok.*Egeria*, for Foochow.*Charlton*, for Saigon.

## PASSENGERS.

Arrived.

For *Achilles*, from Liverpool and St. Paul,

General and Mrs. Donover, Miss B. Wieler,

Messrs. Byson, a. n. Robertson, Kurayama,

Danochori, Platt, De Costa, Bing Zung Sin,

Choo Yoo Chai, Li Chung, and 80 Chinese.

For *Glenyle*, from Singapore, Mr. and

Mrs. Martin for Shanghai; Mr. Blakes, and

88 Chinese for Hongkong.

To Depart.

For *Norseman*, for Bangkok, 4 Chinese.Per *Vesta*, for Quinhon, 1 Chinese.Per *Sorsogon*, for Manila, 18 Chinese.Per *Egeria*, for Foochow, 1 Chinese, and

8 Distressed Seamen for Hamburg.

## PASSENGERS.

Per *Taiwan*, from Amoy, &c., Mr. Brown,  
and 55 Chinese.  
Per *Moray*, from Straits, Mrs. George  
Holmes, and 400 Chinese.  
Per *Maharajah*, from Saigon, 35 Chinese.  
Per *Tintern Abbey*, from Bangkok, 2  
Europeans and 56 Chinese.  
Per *Kenton*, from Bangkok, 2 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Anchises*, for Singapore, &c., Capt.  
and Mrs. Reuter, Mrs. Craddock, and 20  
Chinese.  
Per *Douglas*, for Coast Ports, 200 Chi-  
nese; for Amoy, Mr. J. A. Maher.  
Per *China*, for Shanghai, Miss Houston.  
Per *Historian*, for Foochow, Mr. W. K.  
Nicholson.  
Per *Bribeaux*, for Melbourne, Mr. P.  
Rhodes.

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## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Taiwan* reports:  
Moderate N.E. winds and fine clear wea-  
ther the first part, latterly cloudy and  
light airs. On the 1st inst., passed S.S.  
*Hailong*, from Hongkong to Swatow, half  
mile off Swatow.The British steamer *Maharajah* reports:  
Fine weather the first part of passage until  
about 2 p.m., from thence to port strong  
N.E. winds and unsettled weather.The British steamer *Tintern Abbey* re-  
ports: From Bangkok light to moderate  
Southerly winds until 1st June, then strong  
N.E. winds.The British steamer *Moray* reports:  
Fine weather all the way.The British barque *Kenton* reports:  
Light and variable winds throughout the  
passage.The British schooner *Catherines Marden*  
reports: Light winds and calms through-  
out the passage.The British steamer *Glenyle* reports:  
From Singapore 18 N. fine weather and  
light Southerly winds, thence to port strong  
N.E. winds.The British barque *William Manson*  
reports: Left Sydney, April 14th with  
moderate N.E. winds, wind hauled gradu-  
ally into N.W. Passed Lord Howe's  
Island on the 17th and got the S.E. trade  
winds in 22 S. lost them in 9 S. and thence  
to the Equator, which was crossed on the  
7th May in long. 160 E., light westerly  
winds, squalls, calms and torrents of rain.  
Thence to 16 North had strong North  
East winds. Sighted Sayan May 16th  
when the wind gradually hauled to the  
Westward. Came through Bache's Channel  
on May 20th, and then had very unsettled  
weather until June 1st when got strong  
N.E. winds and a high sea. Sighted  
Pedro Blanco on June 2nd 1 p.m., and  
anchored in Hongkong Roads at 1 a.m.  
on the 3rd. Carried moderate N.E. winds  
into port. Passage 49 days.

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Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same. Whereas by a Proclamation, bearing date the 24th day of August, 1868, and numbered 11, it was notified that if any person should give such information, evidence or assistance as that any kidnapper, decoy, or child stealer be thereby convicted and flogged, (or being a woman should receive a reward of \$20 from the Colonial Treasury. And whereas it is considered desirable to amend such notification and to make other provisions in lieu thereof so as to allow the amount of the reward to be determined according to the special circumstances of each case. It is hereby notified, that the above recited notification is hereby annulled, and that from this date a reward will be given of such amount as, having due regard to all the circumstances, shall be considered reasonable, and proper for any information, evidence, or assistance as may lead to the conviction of any person guilty of decoying, stealing, or kidnapping children.

The *Englishman* thus announces an accident to the P. & O. steamer *China* at Bombay.—*Bombay*, May 10.—Late on Thursday night a fire was discovered on board the P. & O. steamer *China*, and early this morning the flames burst out with such fury that she had to be abandoned. *Bombay*, May 11.—The *Kash*, or with the *China* mail, fortunately arrived this morning and will unload in all haste and take the *Englishman* mails instead of the *China*, which has now settled deep in the mud. *Bombay*, May 15.—The steamer *China* has not yet been raised, and is sinking deeper in the mud. It is evident that the task of saving her will now be severe. *Bombay*, May 16.—The *China* floated yesterday morning, and to-day was removed to her moorings; but she is still making so much water that it is feared she must be run on the mud bank again.

Orders have been sent (says the *Friend of India*) to Mr. Ney Elias, at Leh, to endeavour to ascertain the fate of Beg Kuli Beg, the luckless ex-ruler of Kashmir. Now that the snows have cleared a little, it may be possible to do this with some chance of success. A well-authenticated rumour has been received to the effect that Beg Kuli Beg, the late Amir of Kashmir, escaped the Chinese, and now that the passes are again open, is making his way, via Ladakh and Leh, to British territory.

The following letter is published in Saturday's *Government Gazette*—

Ting, H. I. Ch. M. Vice-President of the Board of War, Governor of Fukien and adjoining Regions, Admiral, and Superintendent of Revenue, to Honorable H. B. M. the Imperially appointed Governor of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Commander-in-Chief, wearing the decoration of the third rank (C.M.G.).

The writer respectfully states that he has long looked forward to meet the light of your countenance with deep and ardent desire. Now he has received from the Committee of the Hongkong Relief Fund, Mr. Wai-Ting-Fu, Mr. Leung-Hok-Shan, Mr. Wong-Kwan-Tung, Mr. O-Man-Shai, Mr. Ko-Cho-Hung, and Mr. Hui-Wai-Shan, a letter informing him that your Excellency has contributed on account of the famine, raging since last year in Shan-ai and other provinces, five thousand dollars, and that accordingly those gentlemen forwarded that sum to Shan-ai to be accounted for. This is sufficient to show your Excellency's delight in virtue, in acts of charity, relieving distress, and cherishing compassion for fellow-creatures without distinction of place or country. I shall always remember it. However, I have, as Governor, forwarded a letter to the Foreign Office that thanks be expressed to the Ambassador of your honoured nation residing in Peking, but beyond this I wished at the same time to anticipate the universal gratitude felt.

Accept my best wishes for your unlimited happiness.

The writer's card is enclosed.

The tenth day of the third moon (April 11th).

Card referred to—Ting (Surname), Yat Ch'ung (Name).

Postscript.—I (the Governor Ting Yat Ch'ung) have frequently had the pleasure of receiving letters from the gentry of Hongkong to the effect that your Excellency ever since your arrival in Hongkong showed consideration to traders and love to the people, your excellent governmental acts being too numerous to recount; and farther that in the present year you went in person to the Tung Wa Hospital to administer and urge to good measures, a thing which had not been done by any of the Officers who came to this country. I (the Governor) have had still further information in those letters which likewise I shall ever cherish the remembrance of. Perhaps I may some day have an opportunity to come to Hongkong, when I would in person solicit your instruction and thereby enlarge my understanding and knowledge. I send this expressly to wish your Excellency prosperity.

The following items are from the *Singapore Daily Times*—

It will have been noticed in our telegraphic summary by the French mail published yesterday, that the British ironclad frigate *Shannon*, and the corvette *Ruby*, had arrived at Aden on the 8th May, on their way to reinforce the squadron under Admiral Hillyar in China waters. At Colombo, six heavy rifled guns, all with a range of 4,000 yards, were being placed in position for the defence of the harbour.

The first of the three men-of-war, the *Diamond*, Captain Geo. S. Beauchamp, detached by the Home Government as a reinforcement to the squadron under Vice-Admiral Hillyar, in China and Japan, anchored in the roads this morning (May 24th). We may mention that the *Diamond* is a sister-ship to the *Clorinda*.

The collision between the P. & O. mail steamer *Khedive* and the Dutch steamer *Voortraak*, appears to have occurred early yesterday morning, the 24th May, between 7 and 8 o'clock, for the *Khedive* was signalled at Penang at 7 o'clock; and the Dutch Consul General here received a telegram yesterday morning announcing it, despatched from Penang at 8.35. The telegram states it to have taken place north of the Island, the *Khedive* entering, and the *Voortraak*, probably, leaving Penang harbour. Not many particulars have been received yet here, but the collision must have been a serious one, for the *Voortraak* had to be stranded on shore by late last from sinking,

and it is feared she will become a total wreck. She had, it is said, a large number of passengers and troops on board, but they were all landed, and all who wished were taken on by the *Khedive* to Penang, where accommodation was provided for them. Some thirty of the passengers voluntarily remained on shore near the wreck to look after the luggage which had been landed. The crew remained on board, and Captain Fox, Harbour Master of Penang, had gone with steamer, *Col. Phayre* and *Deit*, to the assistance of the *Voortraak*. Nothing is known here of the amount of damage done to the *Khedive*.

The *Siam Weekly Advertiser* of the 9th May contains the Customs return of the Imports of Bangkok during April. Their value was as follows:

From Singapore.....	\$ 488,382.
" Hongkong.....	177,181.
" China.....	7,994.
" Europe.....	21,041.
" Java.....	803.
" Coast.....	2,000.
Total.....	\$ 697,148.

The principal imports from Hongkong were as follows:—

Liquors.....	\$ 25,862.
Gold Leaf.....	27,700.
Treasure.....	22,000.
Silk Cloths.....	18,421.
Silk Piece Goods.....	11,643.
Press and Copper-ware.....	8,055.
Silk Crape.....	8,814.
Matches.....	4,880.
Earthenware.....	3,308.

The same paper, in its subsequent issue of the 16th May, contains the Customs returns of the Exports of Bangkok during April. Their value is given as follows:—

To Hongkong.....	\$ 812,472.
" Singapore.....	153,839.
" China.....	50,081.
" Java.....	36,410.
" Coast.....	2,387.
Total value \$	1,058,189.

The export of Rice was as follows:—

To Hongkong pls.	294,437 = \$ 682,893.
" Singapore ..	33,118 = 70,108.
" China ..	17,330 = 43,244.
" Java ..	187 = 724.
Total pls.	345,067 = \$ 796,963.

The other principal export to Hongkong were:—

Bird's Nests.....	\$ 34,020.
Salt.....	30,106.
Tin.....	8,530.
Sapanwood.....	7,743.
Roswood.....	6,847.
Saltmeat.....	6,800.

(London & China Express, April 26.)

The Student Interpreters whose names we lately announced for Siam, China, and Japan passed by the P. & O. mail from Southampton on May 16. Lieutenant Pollard, R.N., who recently returned from serving in China, has been presented by the Lords of the Admiralty with a set of valuable books for his services, and appointed to H.M.S. *Gorgon*.

We are glad to notice that Glasgow has taken a place in connection with the "China Famine Fund," and that over £1,500 has been subscribed, through the exertions of Sir James Watson. We trust that this will be an incentive to Liverpool, Manchester, and Bradford to follow. The amount subscribed to the fund is £13,200, including £1,000 from Edinburgh. The amount collected by the Church Missionary Society is £207 10s. 1d.; China Inland Mission, £1,167 4s. 5d.; Baptist Missionary Society, £606; London Missionary Society, £720 15s. 9d.

The *Sierra Colonna* has been launched from the building yard of Messrs Richardson, Duck, and Co., South Stockton. Dimensions:—Length over all, 251' 3 feet; ditto between perpendiculars 232' 3 feet; breadth extreme, 37' 9 feet; depth in hold, 22' 7 feet; gross tonnage, 1,464 tons. She is classed 100 A at Lloyd's, and twenty years in the Liverpool registry, and has been built under special survey, but is considerably stronger than required by its rules. She has been built to the order of Messrs Thompson, Anderson and Co., of Liverpool, under the superintendence of Captain Reid, and is intended for the India and China trade.

#### INQUESTS.

An inquest was held this afternoon at the Magistrate's on the body of Chan Afuk, a prisoner undergoing a sentence of six months' hard labour for selling spirits without a licence. The Jurors were—Messrs S. F. A. Collage, A. Jorge, and M. M. C. de Rora. Dr Ayres said he had made a post mortem examination, and found that deceased died from disease of the heart. The Jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

#### THE SHERK MURDER.

The adjourned inquest on the body of Chan Ngan-mui, a Chinese female who was murdered on the 20th ultimo at Shoko, was resumed to-day at the Magistrate's—Messrs W. Koller, K. J. V. Jorge, and F. H. Arjane comprising the Jury.

Chan Amow, a farmer and fisherman, said:—I reside at Shoko. On the morning of the 20th ultimo, I went to my farm, which is on a lower level than the road, and heard a woman crying out "Save life." I ran up on the road, and then saw the deceased sitting on the side of the road. She and Chan Amui were holding the prisoner; Chan Amui was standing up and holding the prisoner's arm. The deceased (pointing to the prisoner) said he had cut her; she was bleeding. The prisoner said nothing. I noticed a cut on the prisoner's forehead. Chan A. Mui told me that prisoner had thrown away a chopper, and I then looked for it.

Continued: I then took hold of the prisoner by the queue and told him he must come with me to Shoko. The deceased after we had gone a short distance said she could not go any further, and I then went for the Police. I got two Indian constables, I saw the Portuguese approaching behind I left the prisoner in charge of Chan Amui. When I got back the prisoner had been taken away by the Portuguese, and I had the

wounded persons removed to Show-han in a boat. I was born at Shoko, and have known the prisoner 20 years. The deceased and Chan Amui were both born in the village; they are not my relations but belong to my clan. I knew nothing of the relations existing between the prisoner and Chan Amui. I saw nothing of a grain-outter's knife. It took me about half an hour to get up into the road after I heard the cry of "save life." I asked the prisoner why he cut the woman that way, and he replied "I am prepared to die."

After the evidence of deceased's son, and Inspector Swanston, the Jury brought in a verdict of Wilful murder against Ching Ashon.

**Police Intelligence.**  
(Both Magistrates Sitting.)  
June 3, 1878.

**LARCENY.**  
Un Akwal, coolie, and Ho Atsoi, grass-cutter, were charged, the first with stealing, and the 2nd with receiving, a bottle of milk from Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s cattle yard. The first was sentenced to one month's hard labour, and the second to 21 days' hard labour.

**STEARING FOWL.**  
Cheung Ayan, a coolie, was sent to 14 days' solitary confinement for stealing a fowl.

Wong Achee, a hawkler aged 15 years, was sentenced to 7 days' solitary confinement and to receive seven strokes with the rattan on the breech, for a similar offence.

Chan Ahing, a domestic servant, was charged on suspicion with having stolen a ring, the property of one Grace Winter, an unmarried lady residing at No. 4, Peel Street. The case was remanded until Wednesday, defendant being admitted to bail.

**WATER! WATER!**  
Chu Akam, a coolie, was fined \$5 or 14 days' imprisonment for attempting to turn the water on at the hydrant at Queen's Road West. He was caught in the act by P. O. Bond, and a bamboo was found in his possession which was made so as to fit the hydrant.

**THREATENING TO USE A KNIFE.**  
Chen Mok, a seaman, was fined \$5 or 14 days' hard labour for threatening to assault a Malay with a knife. He was drunk at the time.

**ANOTHER CASE.**  
Gustaf Gustafson, a seaman unemployed, was sent to 6 weeks' hard labour for using a knife to another seaman at Taipingshan. He cut the complainant's coat. The knife was found by Sergeant Hennessy, in the street.

**DRUNKENNESS.**  
John Molay Hunter, an engineer unemployed, was fined \$1 for being drunk and incapable.

**SUSPICIOUS.**  
Leong Atal, a cook, was charged by Inspector Lindsey with being a suspicious character, he having been frequently seen following seamen about the streets during the last three months. He was ordered to find security to be of good behaviour for six months, failing which he was to be brought up again in 14 days.

**OUTING AND WOUNDING.**  
Chun Aying and three others were charged on remand with attempting to commit a burglary at Bridges Street and assaulting and wounding the Police in the execution of their duty.

Ma Achin, complainant to Mr. Brenton, proved letting his house No. 56 Bridges Street to one of the prisoners who said he came from Macao. Witness did not know the prisoner's occupation. He had seen him go in and out of the house several times during the evening between the 15th and 19th instants. Chinese Constable No. 204 said he occupied a room in the upper part of No. 56 Bridges Street. About 3 past 8 o'clock on the night of the 17th he had some information which caused him to keep a sharp look out on the ground floor. He looked through the crevices in the floor but saw nothing to excite his suspicion until the night of the 19th. He then saw a man take off the door of the cook-house and put it in front of the window to screen the room from the street and saw seven or eight men moving about in the room. Continued: I saw the housebreaking implements (produced) placed against the wall of No. 56 (the next house). I then made a report at the station, and Inspector Lindsey, myself and two other Chinese Constables, Nos. 271 and 281, went back to the house. Nos. 271 and 281 had their staves; I did not have mine. The Inspector had a staff. On the way to the house we met Captain Deane in Staunton Street. Mr. Lindsey said something to Captain Deane, who then turned, and accompanied us. Sikri constable 581 came up, when I pointed out the house to Inspector Lindsey.

Captain Deane, sworn, stated that he was returning home from where he had been dining on the night of the 19th ultimo, about 11 o'clock and met Inspector Lindsey and three Chinese Constables out of uniform, with whom he went to Bridges Street. Continued: I then examined the ground round No. 56. I went further along the road and picked up another Constable (Indian Constable 581) for the double reason that I thought the party too small, and I wanted a man in uniform. I then returned with this Constable to the front of No. 56. I gave orders, in consequence of which a looking knocked at the door of the ground floor of No. 56. I then heard a scuffling inside, and ordered the door to be once broken open. The Chinese and Indian Constables ran in towards the back door of the house. I stopped inside the door of the house to prevent any of the inmates escaping. The room was dark, but there was a slight glimmer from the street lamps. I saw a Chinaman running from the back of the premises, followed by the Sikri Constable, who was calling out as if offering him to stop. I held out my left hand to prevent the man running, and got my hand cut. I did not see what with. I saw nothing at all. I had my walking stick in my right hand, and the pointing downwards to the left foot. I struck up with it, and hit the man across the chest. I felt my stick splinter. I then saw a glimmer of something and brought my stick to the ground, and

then felt my thumb cut. During the whole of this time the man was rushing towards the street. We were going along sideways together towards the door. He got into the street and ran westward. The Sikri and myself followed him to Ladder Street, about 50 yards distant. He ran down the steps of the street and the Sikri blew his whistle and I turned back, as I did not consider it any use to attempt to chase him down the steps with boots on; the light is very imperfect there. I went back to the house and all was then quiet. I went to the Hospital, and on my way sent two more constables that I met to Bridges Street. I produced the pieces of my stick; it is bloody and very hard to cut into; the mark at the end is what saved my thumb. My right ring saved my little finger a good deal. Mr. Ayres was next examined; he said he was called about midnight of 19th to go to the Hospital to see Captain Deane and a Sikri Constable who had been wounded. Captain Deane had a deep wound on the thumb of the right hand; it was about 2½ inches in length and opened into the joint. There was another cut on the base of the little finger of the left hand. Captain Deane is still under treatment for these wounds. The Sikri Constable had a wound across the palm of the right hand nearly down to the bone on the edge of the hand but not so deep in the middle. He had another slight wound on the inner side of the right arm close to the arm-pit. He is still under treatment. The third prisoner was brought to Hospital the same night. He had a contused wound on the left side of his forehead about three inches long and another, on the same line with the other, on the cheek-bone. These wounds, might have been inflicted by a constable's staff. The first prisoner had a small contused wound on the top of his head.

At this stage the case was adjourned until the 5th instant.

#### NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

We have received a *Straits Times* Extra in advance of the English Mail, and make the following extracts:—

The O. S. S. Co's steamer *Achilles*, Captain Anderson, arrived at Tanjong Pagar Wharf at noon to-day (May 27th), bringing from Penang the P. & O. steamer *Khedive*'s London mail of the 26th April. Of the *Khedive*'s passengers there came on by her, Major-General Donovan, General Colborne's successor in the Straits and China command. Major-General Donovan was accompanied by Mrs. Donovan, and his aide-de-camp and was received at the Wharf by Col. Dickens, H. M. 28th Regiment, Captain Glen, Lieut. MacCallum, &c. and Lieut. Walker, A.D.C. Major-General and Mrs. Donovan at once drove to Government House.

A telegram was received here this morning by Mr. W. H. Geiger, the P. & O. Co's Agent, that the inquiry into the collision between the *Khedive* and the *Voortraak* had terminated, and that no blame attached to the *Khedive*, her Officers' certificates having been returned. The *Khedive* is expected here on Wednesday to repair damages.

The *Achilles* brought the following passengers:—

For Hongkong.—Miss Wisler, Mr. Byron, R. N. Lieut. Bander, R.N., and Messrs Kennedy, Robertson, and others.

#### TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

(From Indian Papers.)  
Constantinople, May 12.—The Porte has issued a notice elaborately setting forth many sweeping and liberal reforms to be carried out. The Turks in the main Treaty of San Stefano, stipulated that the Quadrilateral fortresses shall be surrendered to Bulgaria and not to Russia.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—A semi-official note has been published advocating the solution of the question at issue, by assuring the vitality of the Turkish Empire, giving administrative autonomy to the Christian population of Turkey as tributary to the Porte, and Bosnia be given to Austria.

London, May 13.—An important debate takes place in the House of Commons to-night, on motions brought forward by the Opposition condemning, as an unconstitutional procedure, the step taken by the Government in bringing Indian troops to Europe, and incurring expenditure in connection therewith without the sanction of Parliament.

Aden, May 13.—The *Nankin*, towing the *Killeran*, and the *Marina*, towing the *Narcissus*, have passed all well.

London, May 13.—In the House of Commons this evening, Sir Stafford Northcote, replying to a question, said the Indian army was never reckoned in the numbers mentioned by the Marquis of Salisbury, and that the Indian expeditionary force was not included in the estimate of the present year. In consequence of this answer, the Marquis of Hartington gave notice of a motion in the House of Commons that, except in India, no forces shall be raised and kept by the Crown in time of peace without the sanction of Parliament. He said the motion expresses no opinion on the policy of the Government. Sir Stafford Northcote will submit an estimate on the 27th instant, when the Marquis of Hartington will move his resolution. The Queen to-day reviewed 16,000 troops at Aldershot.

St. Petersburg, May 13.—Count Schouvaloff has arrived here. The Official Russian *Gazette* appeals to the nation to form a volunteer fleet. The Grand Duke Alexander has opened a subscription in his behalf.

Constantinople, May 14.—The Russian army is being strongly reinforced. The tension between the Porte and the Russian military authorities respecting the evacuation of the fortresses is increasing.

London, May 14.—The Irish Sunday closing bill, which was commenced on Monday evening, owing to the action of the obstructionists, Sir Stafford Northcote this evening said that the Marquis of Hartington's motion was fixed for the 20th instant.

Constantinople, May 14.—The insurgents now threaten the Philippopolis line of railway, and are entrenched near Basarbochik.

Aden, May 14.—The *Trinacria* towing the *Staforth* and a tugboat, and the *Macedonia* towing the *Arca Bay* and the *Clafid*, passed to-day, conveyed by H. M. S. *Spartan*.

London, May 15.—A serious riot of the cotton operatives took place at Blackburn last night. The rioters set fire to the house of the President of the Masters' Society, and smashed the windows of the mills. The riot eventually assumed so serious an aspect, that the military were called out from Preston.

Advices from South America state that a most destructive earthquake has visited Venezuela, during which 5,000 lives were lost.

Vienna, May 15.—In yesterday's sitting of the Hungarian Chamber of Deputies there was a debate on the Eastern question, during which the President of the Council of Ministers said that the Government had solely pursued a policy in keeping with Austro-Hungarian interests, and had taken precautions to increase the troops on the Northern, Southern and Eastern frontiers.

Aden, 15th May.—The *Teheran*, with the outward English mails of the 3rd May, sailed for Bombay at two this afternoon.

London, 16th May.—The Russian agents are negotiating for the purchase of ships in the United States, suitable for privateers. The steamer *Chimera* is still at Maine. Nothing has transpired respecting Schouvaloff's mission.

London, 16th May.—The riots at Blackburn continue. Several arrests have been made. The military force has been strengthened, but no collisions have yet taken place between the rioters and the troops. Constable 963.

London, 16th May.—Negotiations are proceeding between the masters and the operatives at Blackburn. The basis of the condition is the resumption of work for three months at ten per cent reduction, and, if trade is then improving, wages are to be increased.

In well informed quarters at Saint Petersburg, it is considered possible that the Russian agents will not insist on annexing Batuman.

Alexandria, 16th May.—The steamer *Rosetta*, towing the *Duke of Athol*, has passed the Canal en route to Malta.

(From the London and China Express, April 26.)

THE EASTERN QUESTION.—There is great excitement at Constantinople, owing to rumours of the existence of a plot to overthrow the Sultan, and also in consequence of an announcement that the whole of the Russian troops at San Stefano will attend service in the Greek Church at Constantinople on Sunday next. Disturbances have broken out in Roumelia, an armed force of Turkish peasantry having attacked the Christian inhabitants and the Russian troops. Serious fighting has ensued, large numbers being killed and wounded on both sides. The Roumelian Government has protested against the continued occupation of the country by Russian troops and the revision of frontiers which Russia seeks to enforce.

The Russian Naval Reserve has been called out, and orders have been issued that wounded soldiers are to join their regiments as soon as they recover. The insurgents in the Greek provinces have agreed to a suspension of hostilities with a view to the conclusion of an armistice.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.—But little progress has been made with the renewed negotiations for a Conference. Germany has proposed that the Russian troops be withdrawn from the immediate vicinity of Constantinople, and the British fleet from the Sea of Marmora, but the proposition has not as yet found acceptance.

COVENANT.—The Court has been removed from Ouborno to Windsor. The Prince of Wales has presided at the festival meeting of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons—at which the Crown Prince of Denmark was also present—and has since proceeded to Paris in order to be present at the opening of the Exposition Universelle.

Yacht Osborne has been despatched to Malta, to convey the Duchess of Edinburgh to England.

NAVAL AND MILITARY.—The *Ruby*, corvette, has been ordered from Malta to the China Station, and the *Shannon*, ironclad, for the same destination, has passed through the Suez Canal. The *Invincible* has been despatched to the Mediterranean, and the *Tenedos* to the Pacific station. The *Curacoa* steel corvette, has been launched on the Clyde. Colonel McKay, 12th Regiment, and Major-General Knox, late 18th Hussars, have been nominated for distinguished service rewards.

The *Ocyrops*, *Hydra*, *Gorgon*, *Hecate*, and *Prince Albert* have been commissioned for coast-defence service. The call upon the army reserve has been responded to satisfactorily.

CHURCHY.—The deaths are recorded of General Sir John Campbell, Major-General James Campbell, Colonel Stanley, and Captain Mainland.

GENERAL.—Mr. R. W. Hanbury, Conservative, has been returned to Parliament for North Staffordshire, and Mr. Hamar Bass, Liberal, for Tamworth. Mr. Butt, M.P., has addressed a letter to his constituents, explaining the reasons which have induced him to resign the leadership of the Home Rule party. Several members of Parliament have spoken at public meetings on the subject of the Political crisis. The arrangements for the ceremonial which will attend the opening of the Paris Exhibition have been completed. The French Geographical Society has held its first meeting for the present year. The German Geographical Society will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary this month. The preparations for elevating "Cleopatra's Needle" on to its pedestal upon the Victoria Embankment are making rapid progress.

It has been made to announce the Rev. Mr. Kilbride, the rector of Arran Island. The captain, mate, and boatswain of the barque *Magpie*, *Dixon*, have been committed for trial on a charge of causing the death of an apprentice on board that vessel by gross ill-treatment. A serious riot has occurred amongst the coal miners who are on strike in the Glasgow district. A sum of over £3,000 has been stolen from a bank at Douglas, Isle of Man. The Bishop of Chichester has formally protested against the establishment of a "Reformed Episcopal Church" in his diocese.

FRANCE.—The Finance Minister has presided at the inauguration of a monument to Frederic Bastiat, the eminent freetrader. A transport steamer intended for the conveyance of troops to and from Saigon has been launched at Havre. The Communist "Minister of Agriculture and Commerce" has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

GERMANY.—The Order of the Red Eagle has been conferred upon Dr. Bridenthal, the Minister of Agriculture. The Emperor has forbidden the wearing of uniform by officers while travelling abroad. Prince Bismarck is suffering from a somewhat serious attack of illness. The indictment against Mr. Blahop, accused of attempting to bribe Government officials, has been prepared.

HOLLAND.—It is considered probable that the opposition displayed towards the Lower Class Education Bill may result in the downfall of the Ministry. The report of the Netherlands Steamship Company announces a dividend of 7 per cent. The Amsterdam Bank has declared a dividend of 6 per cent.

SPAIN.—The spread of the Nihilist propaganda is reported to have reached alarming proportions. Prince Gortchakoff has been seriously ill, but is now recovering.

AUSTRIA.—An attempt has been made to assassinate the Chief of the Imperial and Royal Household, which is considered in the streets of Vienna.

TURKEY.—A severe shock of earthquake has been experienced at Constantinople.

ITALY.—The Pope has issued his Encyclical Letter, which is couched in moderate terms.

BRITAIN.—A destructive storm has visited the coasts of Biscay and Galicia. The Government has ordered the Navy to be placed in a condition of efficiency.

EGYPT.—Captain Burton's expedition, which has been engaged in surveying the mining districts in Midian, has returned to Cairo with specimens of ore.

CANADA.—Disturbances, originating in conflicts between Orangemen and Roman Catholics, have occurred at Montreal.

UNITED STATES.—A renewal of hostilities by the Sioux Indians is expected. The Erie Railway has been sold by auction for \$6,000,000. The report of a "confession" having been published by Mrs. Tilton is contradicted. Two hundred and fifty negro emigrants have proceeded to Liberia from Carolina.

(From the Home News, 26th April.)  
The negotiations for the withdrawal of the Russian troops and the English ironclads make no progress, and, at Vienna and elsewhere, war is considered imminent. Prince Bismarck has been ill with erysipelas, but is said to be recovering.

Prince Gortchakoff is also seriously ill, having a return of rheumatism fever. The population of Bulgaria having risen against the oppression of the Russian rule, much bloodshed has already occurred.

Roumania is now occupied in force by the Russian army.

The Pope has published an Encyclical letter which, though in it he pledges himself to uphold the rights of the Vatican, is not without some signs of an inclination to adopt a more moderate policy than Pius IX. Nihilism and discontent are rapidly spreading through Russia.

A number of German bankers have declined to float a new Russian loan



